CONVICTS MAKE MERRY IN SNOW-COVERED YARD

Into Holiday Spirit With a Vim.

DINNER SUMPTUOUS REPAST

Superintendent Wood Sees That His Wards Have Christmas Cheer in Spite of Surroundings-Minstrel Show Highly Enjoyed.

Prison bars and the absence of loved

snowballing was prohibited, there was huge sport for the unfortunates se-questered from the outside world, bebut no crowd of kiddles ever enjoyed movies as did that band of grown-ups.

movies as did that band of grown-ups, segregated for their violations of manmade laws.

ARUNDANT FARE FURNISHED PRISONERS

Superintendent Wood has always made it a practice to endeavor to make the convicts forget their ignominy for the nonce, and to live in the spirit of the day. His Christmas dinner is one of the means whereby this end is attained. Yesterday was no exception, and the affair was a sumptuous feast to those used to the customary fare; and supplemented with goodies sent the prisoners from their homes. Others had hoarded their scanty savings—money earned in the penitentiary shops —and had purchased dainties through the kind-hearted keepers. In addition to this fare, those unfortunates who are inmates of the infirmary were given roast turkey.

There are about 750 prisoners in the penitentiary, of which number nearly 100 are women. All enjoyed the same fare yesterday. The minstrel show, on account of the capacity of the chapei, had to be repeated twice, and the jokes, had to be repeated twice, and the jokes.

and fled from the place before the orfare yesterday. The minstrel show, on account of the capacity of the chapel, had to be repeated twice, and the jokes, many of which were packed in moth halls years ago on the outside, were received with peals of laughter, while the sentimental ballads doubtlessly brought tears to the eyes of the most hardened. The program, however, was arranged for laughs, not tears, and any company would have felt flattered at the reception given the amateur minstrel men.

and fled from the place before the orficer arrived. He left the watch on the counter, and this was recovered and returned to the owner. From persons in the shop at the time, Detective Krengel secured a description of the man, and learned that it tallied exactly with the description of the burglar who had robbed the house of W. R. Hill, of August. He was seen by Mrs. Hill as he fed from this house.

JOHNSON SAID TO

sainment, although better food served to them at all meals. wormth and free food and lodging at these public institutions.

Wanted the fine and outer cases.

WANTED TWO NEGROOES TO TESTIFY IN HIS

PRISONERS DANCE TO STRAINS OF GRAPHOPHONE

nique Entertainment Held at Henrico County Jail by Deputy Sheriff Garnett.

To the pleasing melody of seductive waitz music coaxed from a battered graphophone by an accommodating jailer, prisoners in Henrico County Jall on Christmas Day executed new dance steps with more enthusiasm, if not with more grace and perfection, than is sometimes displayed by memnan is sometimes displayed by mem-pers of smart society or by trained

When Jaller R. C. Garnett took off he waltz record and put on a vocal selection, reproducing the tones of a amous baritone singer, there was a arring, if not harmonious, chorus from those behind the bars, when the needle ground its way over the wax and struck the refrain.

"This is the Life," shouted a clarion

oice through the trumpet from the astrument with such force and vigor at echoes rang up and down the cor idors of the prison and died at last cross the snow-covered housetops and treets on the outside. The prisoners streets on the outside. The prisoners liked the song. For the moment it was "the life" for them. The menu served from the jail kitchen yesterday was a bountiful one. With one accord the prisoners pushed dull care aside and danced and sung, while Jailer Garnett ground the handle of the graphophone and released snam after meets. none and released spasm after spasm of long-canned melody

There is talent within the jail walls, prisoners there are hose who can trend a measure or sing t song with no little grace. In his 'palmy days" one of the men in the about the transaction. Ever on job, Jailer Garnett found out where the instrument had been dropwhere the instrument had been dropped and went after it. He brought it back to the jail, and after the Christmas dinner had been served to the prisoners there was some music, with the accent on "some." There was no lack of Christmas spirit in the jail yested and the index likes the grapheerday, and the jailer likes the grapho-shone so well he thinks he will keep it.

"BAREFOOT BURGLAR" PLACED UNDER ARREST

Prisoners at State Penitentiary Enter | Shrewd Negro Is Accused by Police of Many West-End Robberies.

WROTE NOTE IN POLICE COURT

Wanted Two Negroes to Come Forward and Testify in His Behalf. Said to Answer Description of Man Long Wanted Here.

Prison bars and the absence of loved ones were the only drawbacks to an otherwise perfect day—as prison days go—at the Virginia State Penitentiary yesterday. Gloom was dispelled from behind the grim walls, and a spirit of good cheer hovered over the dread institution. There was a feast fit for a king, and a real minstrel show thrown in for good measure.

Snow added in some ways to the enjoyment, while in others it detracted from the pleasure, but the majority of the prisoners, having a day off from labor, frollicked around in the big scourtyard like school children. While snowballing was prohibited, there was have a sacce of the prisoners and the labor of the prisoners having a day off from labor, frollicked around in the big scourtyard like school children. While snowballing was prohibited, there was

snowballing was prohibited, there was huge sport for the unfortunates sequestered from the outside world, because opportunities to revel in the white drifts come seldom. Of course, there were many physically unable to stand the rigors of the day, but they were hugely entertained by the substitute program given in the penitentiary chapel by amateur, but excellent, talent. A minstrel show by prisoners was the feature of this entertainment, but no crowd of kiddles ever enjoyed

tione prisoners are serving short making an effort to toss a cigarette box into a waste paper basket and stopped in the street of the box, and, upon weeks, while other habitual law opening it, found a note concealed be-

he had not been seen with the watch belonging to Mr. Neal. He asked them

scription of the man whom they were to charge with attempting to pawn it. He offered to make ample payment for this service, and said that he thought the case against himself would fail if they did so.

the poor that individuals have promised to care for families until better times come again. Approximately 300 families will be cared for in this way. It will be most helpful to the association, relieving it in part of the tre-

against the man.

Johnson is said to have established his identity in the minds of the public

as the "barefoot burglar" after the burglary of Mr. Hill's residence. At that robbery Mrs. Hill was coming downstairs during the early morning to secure milk for a young child, when she was startled by seeing lights burn-ing in the lower part of the house. She went into the dining-room just in time to see a man climb through a side window. She was able to give the police a description of the man, ai-though he succeeded in making his escape. Mrs. Hill found a quantity of silverware wrapped in a small crib cover on the floor of the dining-room after the burglar had disappeared.

BAREFOOT BURGLAR" TOOK OVERCOAT AND MONEY Parthia Joynes, colored, 1917 St. James Street, shortly after that reported to the police that a man had attempted to steal an overcoat from attempted to steal an overcoat from do. There will still be men who for food if they can find no do. There will still be man who stead the property of the state of

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belonging to Mr. Neal. He asked them to swear that a fourth negro had the watch, and furnished them with a description of the man whom they were to charge with attempting to payment for his service, and said that he may be a service, and said that he may be a service, and said that he may be a service with a tempting to payment for his service, and said that he may be a service with a service they did so.

Detective Krengel is of the opinion that Johnson, whom he said is well educated and shrewd, anticipated his arrest on the charge of stealing this watch, and was preparing for a trial of that case. The note is being held by the police, and will be used as evidence of the case and will be used as evidence or the case against timser would be most helpful to the association, relieving it in part of the tremendous burden which the recent stress has thrust upon it. It was stated again that the association can care for all cases of distress; that room and board can be given to all who ask, and that families can be cared for in their own homes.

NEED WILL CONTINUE

will exaggerate the condition. There will be the necessity of giving fuel to needy families day after day, perhaps week after week, until the evil times are passed. There will be more tearless women and more pitiful children to ask for food. There will be greater need of clothing. The Associated Charities then asks its friends not to forget when the Christmas season is done and people settle again into their smooth, unrutted pathways of life. Poor people will still be hungry after the holidays are over; children will continue to want for food and fuel; there will be babies in need of tender care and mothers, whose hands will be feeble as their hearts are full over the Parthia Joynes, colored, 1017 St. ames Street, shortly after that reported to the police that a man had There will still be men who will ask and womanly girls upon whom whole families will be dependent. There will still be homes from which no beacon She said that she had caught the negro as he was about to leave the place, and that he had told her he had called to secure his own overcoat. He walked out of the door before the woman could stop him, and escaped. She later went to her brother's room and found that his trunk had been broken into and that \$38.50 had been stdien. his trunk had been broken into and that \$38.50 had been stden.

The robbery of W. P. Lawton's house, 2907 Floyd Avenue, where \$27 was stolen and where the halls were thickly strewn with burnt matches, is to those who had nothing but their tree said to have been done by the

Stabbed on Wedding Day.

Percy Stokes, colored, 513 East Baker Street, was yesterday cut in the face and neck by an unknown negro and was taken to Virginia Hospital for further treatment. It is said that the man came very near bleeding to death before he could be gotten to the hospital where Dr. Gorman was forced to take seven stitches in the slash in his cheek. He was rushed to the hospit, in the police patrol.

Dr. Gorman said last night that e thought the man would recover. Stokes, was to have been married last night but the ceremony was delayed on account of his injury. His wife-to-he of evidence. The shoes have been the short of his injury. His wife-to-he of evidence, and Johnson yesterday of the Christmas Day but their to those who had nothing but their need.

PROVISIONS GIVEN

Spectacular in a way and pittable to a degree was the sight yesterday of women and children toiling through the snow from the John Marshall High School, where Adjutant Johnson and who shot at him several times. In this place the man left his shoes, and these of evidence. The shoes have been the control of the short of the short of the salvation Army, who shot at him several times are expected to prove a valuable piece who had nothing but their to those who had nothing but their to those who had nothing but their to those who had nothing but their the total salvation army and pittable to a degree was the sight yesterday of women and children toiling through the arm who who shot at him several times. In this assistants, of the Salvation Army, who shot at him several times and the chort of the salvation army and pittable to a degree was the sight yesterday of a degree was the sight yesterday of a degree was the sight yesterda

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TO CARRY ON WORK Twenty more beds were made up last night in the Associated Charities Build-

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MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December 26, 1914. HIGH TIDE:

money for the Salvation Army and he wished the congregation a merry Christmas. Miss Alice Reed, of Brooklyn, N. Y., sang that Salvation Army song, "The Way of the Cross the money for the Salvation Army work, Army song, "The Way of the Cross Leads Home," and the exercises came to a close.

Twelve men then came to the front of the platform, and nearly 2,500 toys were given to the crowd of poor children present. Just as the clock struck the midday hour the large crowd was formed into a single line, and was passed to the basement, where Captain Eric Lindberg and his helpers were ready to hand out 700 well-filled baskets which were full to running-over with all the good things with all the good the good with all the good the good with all the good the good with all the good the

Mr. Goodwyn expressed the thanks of the Salvation Army to the public, the pulpit, the press and the business houses which contributed generously to the Salvation Army Christmas dinner.

AMBULANCE KEPT BUSY

Shooting and Cutting Affrays, With Fireworks, Keep Doctor on the Go. Ambulance Surgeon Stern, who was Ambulance Surgeon Stern, who was on duty Christmas Eve, last night reported that he had thirty calls during the day. He was called upon to treat one victim of firecrackers, five persons who had been shot, more than a dozen persons who had been cut in street fights, one attempted suicide by poisoning and a number of sick cases. The day was a busy one for the surgeon.

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Mortimer Mills, five years old, was the victim of the firecracker. The child was toying with a No. 5 cracker, the largest which the police allow merchants to sell, while holding a piece of burning punk in his other hand. He accidentally lighted the fuse, and before he was able to throw the cracker aside it had exploded. Three fingers and the palm of the hand were severely burned, but Dr. Stern did not think that it would be necessary to amputate. The child was left at home.

Most of the victims of pistol shots and knife wounds were negroes, and and knife wounds were negroes, and in no case would the victims say who had cut or shot them. Each was treated and only the most severe cases were sent to Virginia Hospital.

W. B. Galbreath Dead.

MEMPHIS, TENN., December 25.— W. B. Galbreath, aged eighty-six years, first president and one of the organ-ALMANAC.
cember 26, 1914.
HIGH TIDE:
Morning...11:40
Evening....12:25 throughout the South.

SILVER SERVICE FOR CHIEF LOUIS WERNER

Headquarters Men of Police Department Express Appreciation of Their Head.

CHIEF IS DEEPLY TOUCHED Service Consists of Teapot, Sugar Bowl, Cream Pitcher and Waiter, Marked With Initials of Richmond's Police Chief.

Chief of Police Louis Werner was yesterday morning by Police-Sergeant Zimmon and Folicemond's Police Chief.

Chief of Police Louis Werner was yesterday morning by Police-Sergeant Zimmon's petitor of the the head-quarters force of the Richmond Police Department. The Chief of Police was one of the most surprised men when he looked up from his deak, immediately after the morning rollcail in the detective bureau, and found Caprition of Detectives McMahon, Bertillon Operator Toler, Captain George Pollock and every member of the headquarters detective force crowding into the office from each of the several doors.

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Captain of Detectives McMahon made the presontation on behalf of the headquarters force. In a few well-choosen words, Captain McMahon told Major Werner that he had been asked to present 'the service on behalf of the mean in headquarters as a token of their esteem. He said that the men appreciated his kindly consideration for them and his ever-ready willingness to assist and to lend them advice, and concluded by wishing Major Werner the happlest of Christmasses and the most happy and prosperous of New Years.

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inished speaking, and while the men

minutes after Captain McMahon had finished speaking, and while the men crowded silently about, the chief stood motionless beside the chair from which he had risen when Captain McMahon began to speak. A noticeable moisture gathered about his eyes, and when he began to reply, there was a slight quaver in the generally firm and decisive voice.

The chief slowly and quietly expressed his appreciation of the remembrance and of those things for which it stood. He, in turn, thanked the men for their faithful performance of duty during the last year, and once more expressed the wish that each would spend a pleasant Christmas and happy New Year. With a final expression of appreciation for the gift and a general hand-shaking, the informal presentation was over.

The set is handsome in design and quality, and is engraved with Major Werner's monogram.

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HISTORIC LETTERS SENT

TO SON OF WAR GOVERNOR

est to you, the son of one of the two great war Governors of Virginia, whose names are linked by this correspondence with each other and with that of one of the greatest of Confederate commanders. It is particularly pleasing to me, after more than fifty years, to find myself, as a third Governor of Virginia, associated in a corresponding to the corresponding to th Virginia, associated in a correspondiate of this Christmas, and of dence between such illustrious men as greatest time in German history." Joseph E. Johnston, William Smith and

"Assuring you of the great pleasure I have in committing these documents custodianship so worthy as your own, I am

"Very respectfully yours,
(Signed) "H. C. STUART,
"Governor.
The text of the letters follow: "Hdqrs., Centerville, Nov. 24, 1861. "Colonel William Smith:

"Sir,-I have been requested by the lovernor of Virginia to deliver to you for your regiment a State flag, which is intrusted to the bearer of this note. "The gallant Forty-uinth and its col-onel have proved in battle that Vir-

ginia may with confidence commit her olors to their keeping. Most respect "Your obedient servant,

(Signed) "J. E. JOHNSTON."

Hdqrs. Forty-ninth Reg., Va. Vols., Camp Pickens, Nov. 26, 1861.

"Sir,—I am very much gratified a the receipt of the State flag, borne to me by Sergeant Shipley by your order; and with it your very kind note of the 24th instant. I shall make an early acknowledgment of it to the Governor of Virginia. I thank you, general, for your notice of my regiment and myself. it was under your eye, we were fur-nished the occasion, for your flattering reference, and we know how to valuit, when it comes from so ripe, gallant and experienced a soldier. We trust we shall always do our duty and win from such high sources similar ap-proval of our conduct. I am, general, most respectfully, "Your obedient servant,

"WILLIAM SMITH,
"Colonel, Forty-ninth Reg., Va. Vols." To General J. E. Johnston.

"Hdqrs. Forty-ninth Reg., Va. Vols. 'Governor

"From the annexed correspondence ou will see that I have received you will see that I have received the flag left by you with General Johnston for the Forty-ninth Regiment, Virginia Volunteers. I am, sir, most respectfully, "Your obedient servant

"WILLIAM SMITH,
"Col. Forty-ninth Reg., Va. Vols."

BURNED TO DEATH

Charred Remains of Negro Found in Debris of Shanty Cars. A negro, said to have been John

dams, an employe of the Southern Railway, was burned to death in the fire which destroyed two shanty cars on a side track of the Southern Railway located near the foot of Stockton Street early Thursday night. Detective Tins-ley found the charred remains of the man in the debris after the fire. not known how the cars caught fire, unless one of the negroes turned over a lamp or tossed a lighted cigarette in a pile of trash,

MADE NEGROES DANCE TO TUNE OF PISTOL SHOTS

William Muse, Colored, Charged With Attempting to Shoot Police-man J. S. Gary.

Dinner to Old Soldiers.

An important meeting of Richmond Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held in Lee Camp Hall Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

At this meeting arrangements for the dinner at the Soldiers' Home on December 31 will be made, and the chapter will also take up the arrangements for the cotton ball to be given for the relief fund of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Had Tuberculosis,

-- Now Insured When you know a man has been afflicted with Consumption, and later obtained insurance, it means that he has recovered his health, as in this

obtained insurance, it means that he has recovered his health, as in this case:

442 Sterling Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Gentlemen: I was troubled with all hight sweats, a severe cough and was very weak; having, in fact, absolutely no ambition whatever. I consulted a physician, who told me my lungs were affected. Not satisfied, I went to another doctor, who said that I was in the first stages of Consumption. At this point I started to take Eckman's Alterative. The night sweats stopped almost immediately, my cough became looser and gradually disappeared. My weight is now 142 pounds, and my physician has pronounced me perfectly sound—which, together with the fact that I have just been accepted by two different insurance companies for insurance, makes me sure of my entire recovery." (Abbreviated.)

(Affidatit)

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